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**ALLEGED UNEQUAL TAXATION.**

**Single Taxers May Unintended Real Estate Tax Is Rated Too Low.**

A committee from the Manhattan Single Tax Club, headed by Alfred Bishop Mason, called on Mayor Strong yesterday and presented to him a memorial protesting against what it termed favoritism and unjust discrimination in the real estate tax assessments.

Mr. Mason, who acted as spokesman, said that the facts set forth in the memorial were based on the records and could not be denied.

"While the average assessment is supposed to be 70 per cent," he continued, "it is in reality only 50. Improved real estate is assessed at about 50 per cent, in some cases as low as 9 per cent, while the unimproved real estate property owner for holding back improvement is protected that this is not the way to promote the growth of New York or to aid in building business."

The Mayor asked Mr. Mason if he would assess a vacant lot in the annexed district at 100 per cent, and, after some further remarks, lights, sewers, or any other improvements.

Mr. Mason, "not of its future value, when all those improvements will have been made."

The Mayor said he did not think such property should be assessed at its full value until the city had done its share of improvements.

President Barker of the Tax Commission had been invited by the Mayor to be present, but did not come to discuss the matter yesterday, except to say that the statements of the committee were misleading.

#### FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

**New York Stock Exchange—Sales Oct. 15,**

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